

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON TAXATION**

**Call to Order:** Chair Mark Blasdel, on March 2, 2011 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 152 Capitol

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Mark Blasdel, Chairman (R)  
Rep. Dick Barrett, Vice Chairman (D)  
Rep. Mike Miller, Vice Chairman (R)  
Rep. Steve Fitzpatrick (R)  
Rep. Kelly Flynn (R)  
Rep. Alan Hale (R)  
Rep. Brian Hoven (R)  
Rep. Austin Knudsen (R)  
Rep. Steve Lavin (R)  
Rep. Sue Malek (D)  
Rep. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)  
Rep. Mary McNally (D)  
Rep. Jerry O'Neil (R)  
Rep. Mike Phillips (D)  
Rep. Lee Randall (R)  
Rep. Kathleen Williams (D)  
Rep. Max Yates (R)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Janna Taylor (R)

**Members Absent:** Rep. Wayne Stahl (R)

**Staff Present:** Lisa Adams, Committee Secretary  
Jeff Martin, Legislative Branch

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 567, 2/18/2011; SB 75, 2/18/2011; SB 166, 2/18/2011

**HEARING ON SB 166**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:00:02 Sen. Joe Balyeat (R), SD 34, opened the hearing on SB 166, Revise income tax filing extension law.

**EXHIBIT(tah47a01)**

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:05:52 Holly Franz, Montana Society of CPAs

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:**

00:06:52 Brian Olsen, Department of Revenue

00:07:11 Vice Chairman Miller left.

00:07:25 Vice Chairman Miller arrived.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:07:35 Rep. Phillips

00:07:42 Sen. Balyeat

00:07:47 Rep. Phillips

00:07:56 Sen. Balyeat

00:09:34 Rep. Malek

00:10:00 Sen. Balyeat

00:10:52 Rep. Malek

00:11:12 Sen. Balyeat

00:11:51 Rep. Malek

00:12:06 Sen. Balyeat

00:12:21 Rep. Hoven

00:12:48 Sen. Balyeat

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:14:19 Sen. Balyeat

**HEARING ON HB 567**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:15:34 Rep. Scott Reichner (R), HD 9, opened the hearing on HB 567, Revise property appraisal process by allowing extended assessment review.

00:15:41 Rep. Stahl arrived.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:21:24 Alan Peura, Deputy Director, Montana Department of Revenue (DOR)

**EXHIBIT(tah47a02)**

00:27:39 Cynthia Monteau Moore, Administrator Property Assessment Division, DOR

00:29:50 Rep. Stahl left.

00:30:20 Joe Roberts, Montana Association of Realtors (MAR)

00:31:29 Rep. Hale left.

00:33:23 Rep. Phillips

00:33:28 Chairman Blasdel  
00:33:50 Mr. Roberts, MAR  
00:34:58 Nancy Schlepp, Montana Taxpayer's Association

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:**

00:35:48 Ronda Wiggers, Montana County Treasurer's Association

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:36:29 Rep. Barrett  
00:36:31 Rep. Reichner  
00:36:35 Rep. Barrett  
00:38:00 Rep. Reichner  
00:38:37 Rep. Barrett  
00:38:38 Rep. Hale arrived.  
00:38:40 Rep. Knudsen left.  
00:39:40 Rep. Reichner  
00:40:13 Rep. Barrett  
00:40:18 Mr. Martin  
00:41:24 Rep. Barrett  
00:41:46 Mr. Peura, DOR  
00:43:10 Rep. Barrett  
00:43:15 Rep. Williams  
00:43:39 Mr. Martin  
00:43:53 Rep. Williams  
00:44:48 Rep. Reichner  
00:44:58 Chairman Blasdel  
00:44:59 Rep. Williams  
00:45:00 Chairman Blasdel  
00:45:01 Rep. Williams  
00:45:02 Rep. Reichner  
00:45:03 Rep. Williams  
00:45:04 Rep. Phillips  
00:45:06 Rep. Reichner  
00:45:10 Rep. Phillips  
00:45:11 Rep. Randall left.  
00:45:15 Rep. Reichner  
00:45:29 Rep. Phillips  
00:45:54 Rep. Reichner  
00:46:16 Rep. Phillips  
00:47:00 Rep. Reichner  
00:48:23 Rep. Barrett  
00:48:32 Rep. Reichner  
00:48:36 Rep. Barrett  
00:50:07 Rep. Reichner  
00:50:58 Rep. Barrett  
00:51:53 Rep. Hoven  
00:52:15 Rep. Reichner  
00:52:45 Rep. Hoven

00:53:02 Rep. Reichner  
00:53:08 Rep. Knudsen arrived.  
00:53:46 Rep. Barrett

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:54:12 Rep. Reichner

00:56:58 Rep. Phillips  
00:57:54 Chairman Blasdel  
00:58:00 Rep. Phillips

00:58:05 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Blasdel moved to **REQUEST A FISCAL NOTE FOR HB 367.**  
Motion carried 16-0 by voice vote present and voting.

**HEARING ON SB 75**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:58:17 Sen. Jon Sonju (R), SD 4, opened the hearing on SB 75, Allow flexible hours for local property tax operations.

01:00:13 Rep. Randall arrived.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

01:00:23 Cynthia Monteau Moore, DOR  
[EXHIBIT\(tah47a03\)](#)

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:** None

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:04:34 Sen. Sonju

01:04:56 Rep. Malek  
01:05:00 Chairman Blasdel

**ADJOURNMENT**

01:05:51      Adjournment: 10:06am

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Lisa Adams, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([tah47aad.pdf](#))